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QUALITY CONTROL NORMS ON SMALL INDUSTRIES PRODUCTS
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Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether environment friendly and quality control rules are enforced on small scale Sector with regard to sale of the items manufactured by them in the international market;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the assistance provided for the development of small scale industries by the Government?

Answer

MINISTER OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES(SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a) & (b) : Several environmental and quality standards are applicable to various products for sale in the international market. They vary from product to product and country to country and are applicable to all products whether manufactured by micro and small enterprises or otherwise. The globally accepted Quality and Environmental Management Standards are ISO 9000 and ISO 14000 series respectively.

(c): The Government provides various types of assistance to the micro and small enterprises (MSEs) in the areas of credit, technology and quality up-gradation, marketing, infrastructure development, etc., by implementing several schemes and programmes. Some of the major schemes implemented for the promotion and development of MSEs are Credit Guarantee Scheme, Performance and Credit Rating Scheme, Credit Linked Capital Subsidy Scheme, ISO 9001/ 14001 Certification Scheme, Cluster Development Programme, Market Development Assistance (MDA) Scheme, etc.